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Malabar.

S. India

January 30. 94

My dear Miss Mason

He returned to India

The last week in November,  
after a most happy visit-home  
I was so sorry to come away,  
without meeting you, but it  
was quite impossible, every  
day was taken up, I have to say  
I stayed in my house where the  
daughter had been actually  
living in my house at Aunt's  
side. I think you let it to Mrs  
Conway this summer, & this



girl had been staying there with  
her, I was so interested in seeing  
photos of it, and the beautiful  
surrounding country. One of  
the chief pleasures in returning  
here was to be able to read & <sup>indeed</sup>  
to profit by the P. Review, I never  
seemed to have any time for it  
in England, tho' I believe I was able  
to persuade several people to sub-  
scribe, I should be like a ship  
without a rudder if I could not  
have it, I do hope subscribers are  
steadily on the increase? When I  
read your articles I feel it is a  
friend speaking, & I could believe  
I must know you - Thank you so  
much for your beautiful Xmas  
greeting - I am deeply grateful



to you for all you are doing for me  
and my children, and I can't help  
looking on you as a personal  
friend.

I received the  
propaganda <sup>card</sup> No 7 but it was  
impossible to do any regular  
work - <sup>while my wife was traveling</sup> so I did not begin to use  
it until after Thomas, 3 weeks  
ago the vaccination paper came  
- this I at once put away - of course  
looked at, and my husband  
will use it at Easter. I don't  
think Marion will suffer at  
all in the long run of having  
lost 2 terms regular work, for  
her mind was so opened by all  
she saw and did at home, that  
she was learning in other ways  
After Easter I intended to put



Susie into the P. K. School, I should  
have done it before - My mother  
going interfered in the first place,  
and in the second, she seemed so  
precocious & fond of learning,  
that we judged it wiser to let her  
do very little, in spite of all I can  
do she has however all but  
overtaken Marion, so that after  
Easter the same progessence  
will do for both, I am going to ask  
you if I may have No 8, <sup>class</sup> I do not like  
of the one Marion would have had  
had she finished her present one  
No 7 at Thomas, & this means she  
will be a little behind but Susie  
can work with her - and it is  
easier to teach both together, I hope  
you will see your way to allowing this



My great difficulty is French  
Marion is not quick at it, to learn  
it is very easy - & If its not asking  
too much will you tell me how  
to mount the fruit & leaves of  
wild flowers - I am afraid directing  
nowhere and I am ashamed  
to say I dont know myself.

If you decide to let me have  
propaganda no 8 class Ib - May  
it be posted <sup>the mail</sup> after you receive this  
- I shall then be able to go on direct  
after Easter without any delay -  
as there would be if we waited  
for it - until after you receive  
the Vaccination papers - I  
shall see in the P.M. when  
the Easter Vaccination is to



be held.

I must not trouble  
you with a longer letter as your  
time is valuable.

With very kind regards  
Yours sincerely  
C. S. Hocking



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Dear Miss Mason

The new programmes  
have arrived & the children are  
glad to begin regular lessons again.  
I was sorry I forgot to enclose in  
my last a stamp for reply. It  
quite slipped my mind till after  
the letter was sent, if not too  
late, could you tell me what  
you think of the children's work,  
& give me any suggestions you  
think well for their benefit.

I feel at times working very much  
in the dark, having no one to consult.



nothing to aid me in their bringing  
up.

I have just received a book the  
children are much interested in  
"Jesus the Carpenter of Nazareth" by  
Robert Bird. (Kegan, Paul, Trench, Trubner)  
it brings before them so clearly the  
surroundings of Christ. other mothers  
may also possibly appreciate it who  
have not yet met with it.

Believe me

Yours very sincerely

G M. Dobrashian.



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LANEHEAD,

CONISTON,

LANCASHIRE.

Feb 1-1894.

Dear Miss Mason,

My husband says  
Cuthbert Riebye, Associate  
of the Royal Society of Painters  
in Water Colours, is a very good  
artist and teacher. His  
address is Kendal - No doubt  
he could easily go to Ambleside  
if required - At Windermere  
there are Mr Hubert Gutter, who



L. ANHEAL

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got a medal at Chicago for  
water color. Mr. Arthur  
Tucker - a very good water  
color landscapist - any of  
these three would ~~for~~ make  
a first rate director for your  
students - David Gould of  
Aubleside would be a very  
useful under teacher.

Yours truly

D. Collinswood.



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Malabar

S. India

March. 6. 94

My dear Miss Mason

I enclose a draft for  
£1-1- Mairies School fee for  
1894. Just after I wrote to  
you last a new Programme  
No 8 - came, & from it - See Mairies  
will be in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Class when she  
begins it, As you will know  
from my last letter she does  
not begin it until after Easter  
- and the having the program  
a term before it is wanted  
is a most happy circumstance



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for it has given me time to  
write home for all the books re-  
quired and to get them before  
I begin the new work - it will be  
such an advantage if I may al-  
ways have them in this way -

Marian is working steadily &  
Lucie with her, but I am afraid  
you will think she has lost pro-  
gress in the 8 months of almost  
entire holiday while we were  
away. I comfort myself with  
the thought that she has gained  
in other ways by her visit to  
England -

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

C. S. Hocken



Elston

Avisawren

Ceylon

March 26<sup>th</sup> 194.

My dear Miss Mason

You must be surprised at my long silence, but I have been waiting in a despairing way for the arrival of our books, so as to enter into a whole hearted talk. But will you not feel sympathized when I tell you they have



positively not-reached us  
 yet! And now I see from  
 the last P. R. that the  
 examination papers are  
 already issued, so we are  
 forced to resign ourselves  
 to taking no part in them  
 which is a very great dis-  
 appointment. We have had  
 the invoice from your Publish-  
 ers, with this bill of £2.13.7.  
 but I am naturally waiting  
 to acknowledge the parcel  
 before settling the account.

They are now in Colombo, so  
 within the next few days we  
 shall be able to clear through  
 the custom house. I shall  
 instruct the Educational  
 Supply another time to send  
 any books made up in  
 proportionately sized packets  
 by Post which would ensure  
 their reaching us almost  
 as soon as a letter, & cost-  
 half the price making ex-  
 shipment of them, as has been  
 done. And now to meet -



these difficulties of delay  
would it be irregular to  
work up the course, & send  
in the examinations when  
the girls have completed?

Eliza is so anxious about  
the matter as she is very  
keen to get into the 4<sup>th</sup> Class.

Failing your approval of  
this method, I don't know  
what can be done, unless  
the papers & books are posted  
a month in advance to  
be sent abroad.

But I know you will give



the matter consideration  
 & meet our difficulty in some  
 kind way. We have of  
 course been going on steadily  
 & where I do feel intense en-  
 couragement in this system  
 is the strengthening of the girls  
 minds. But we all long to  
 start with our prescribed  
 books, & look forward to fol-  
 lowing the course with re-  
 newed zeal then.

Rev. Collinswoods correspondence  
 shows lessons are beyond  
 price, & this is a great source  
 of relief I am indebted to you for.



our kind expression of  
admiration over our Eastern  
butterflies pleased me very  
much. They are all Malabar  
ones, but - alas! I can't - put -  
names to them. Here I  
have failed to see any so lovely  
but the compensation comes  
in with birds. Oh, they call  
the "Willow" bird is our especial  
delight. The vegetation too is  
sumptuous, driving through  
avenues of palm trees, & just -  
now the roads are bright -  
with Viceris (Buddhists)!

going  
to visit - the Secret Mountain  
Adams Peak. We feel the  
heat - really, & are just - now -  
tempted by breaking down it -  
to the hills. I hope your  
travels are being structured  
on all sides, & that - we are  
not - wearing ourselves out for  
others, & that - this will bring  
you not - "trial out" - as you  
admitted it - left - now.  
I miss Mr. Horner so much  
in my life here. I had a  
short - earnest - letter from  
him yesterday, acknowledging



She could not let on without  
the P. B.

Will you please give Mrs.  
Parker a kind message  
from us all.

With love

Yours very Sincerely

M. L. Jewitt



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March 1894

This Mason's rint. 15

July 12 1894

after 1894  
Carrington Allen

Carrington

March 28<sup>th</sup>

My very dear Miss Mason

I do not know  
where you are or when  
you will get this, but  
I feel I must write to  
you this Easter. My  
heart is so full of you  
& Audleside. Last Easter



was so lovely there & we  
were so happy; it is  
 lovely to have it all to  
 look back on; even the  
Criticism lessons seem  
 nice now. How sorry  
 you must be to miss  
 the Aubleide Spring!  
 But I am so glad you  
 are with Mr & Mrs. Fitch,  
 you will have a lovely  
 time with them & they will

make you strong again  
 & take care of you.

I have had a very happy  
 Easter. My three boys  
 are much improved, I  
 think their visit to  
 England civilised them;  
 & I feel much more at  
 home with everything.

Altogether things are  
 much better & we are  
 all very happy.



Mrs Crichton is very good  
to me. I wish I had not  
written that horrid, down  
letter to you, when you  
were ill too. Could you  
please forget it?

I was so glad to see how  
well the girls all did  
in the exam: & that  
dear old Sophie got a  
first. Perhaps she  
will see you abroad,



how excited she will  
be. I wish I were some-  
where in those regions to  
have a chance.

Today we all went across  
the Bay to Glen Lodge  
to see Miss Cochrane,  
she is so very nice &  
kind. Ninnie will  
have a lovely time  
when she goes there  
with Iole. They will  
come, I hope, in June;



you can imagine how  
 I am looking forward  
 to that time. Have  
 you heard about our  
 Letter Cycle? Minnie  
 got it up & two letters  
 have already been the  
 round - Violet's & Minnie's  
 they were both most  
 interesting; it is such  
 a good way to keep

up with all. I am not  
 looking forward to my  
 turn for writing for  
 as you know:-

"I have neither wit, nor  
 words, nor worth,  
 action or utterance"

& I can't write a  
 good letter.

Please give my very  
 best love to Mr. Felt  
 & Miss Felt. I do



think about them so  
often & the delicious  
times we had with them  
& their garden & the view  
from it.

My dearest love & duty  
(always like that old word)  
to you & I do hope  
you will soon be  
strong again

Your very loving child  
Jessie.



Lismore.

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Canterbury

New Zealand.

Apl 16. 1894.

Dear Madam.

I enclose Money Order  
for Maggie's School fee. It is  
made payable to "Charlotte  
Mason." I should have sent  
the money to you much sooner  
but there was so much delay  
about various communications  
from you. I did not understand  
it, and did not know quite  
what to do. Maggie worked up  
for the Xmas exam, & all during  
Dec<sup>r</sup> we were looking every  
mail for the Exam papers. The  
holidays passed by, Feby &  
part of March had gone, and  
we had no exam papers, nor



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work for the new term. The  
papers arrived towards the end  
of March. I very much wish  
we could receive the exam  
papers in time to get them done  
in the middle of Decr for that  
term. It seems that the exams  
for the year are what are called  
Xmas & Easter, if we received  
them at those times, it would  
be a most excellent arrangement,  
but as we receive them, the  
Xmas one is hardly out of the  
way when the Easter one comes.  
Last year there was less than  
two months in which to prepare  
for the Easter one. It makes it  
very hurried and unsatisfactory  
and I wish it could be avoided.

There were again several  
books that we had to do without  
during last term, and we are



get  
a word  
a letter  
d to work  
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141, WESTBOURNE TERRACE,  
HYDE PARK.

Dear Miss Mason

Your letter is  
an enigma to me  
at present we have  
neither discussed or  
sanctioned any change  
of principle or any  
paper to go in the P.R.  
at all. No such matter  
has come up. I have  
not a







I have just seen a May  
 number & am at a loss to  
 know how such a notice has  
 been put in. Mr. Coote agrees  
 with me no such notice has  
 ever been before our Committee  
 please suppress it at once  
 I will bring the matter before  
 our next meeting without  
 fail

Many thanks for calling  
 our attention to it. Being  
 on the back of Mother  
 Seigel I much doubt  
 if any one has read  
 it.



July 6<sup>th</sup> 1894.

Enter Hermes!

great amazement at Sentinella  
 Rayne! None of his kindred  
 there - no welcome from any  
 of the Madonnas - great reserve  
 about the Saints - no response  
 from the Archangel Michael.

The monks look askance  
 at him: St Bruno or St Jerome  
 gravely disapprove of him or  
 think that if he has a bare  
 breast, he ought to beat it  
 with stones.

Still! There are a small Ajax  
 behind a curtain or a little  
 Parian Diana which appear  
 to belong to his world: also a  
 fortitude which seems not un-  
 friendly. Upstairs he finds a  
 Venus or two, but they are  
 strangers to him: he looks down,  
 & realizes that he is alone. J.J.



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Private Montana Pierre



July 24-94

~~NEWSTEAD, MONTANA.~~

Dear Miss Mason

In answering  
your circular concerning  
the Meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> I omitted  
to notice a remark in  
your letter in which you  
refer to me as Treasurer  
of the Belgravia Branch  
I have ceased to be  
Treasurer since February  
or March last. When  
Miss Forsyth took up the  
Secretaryship of the P.T.S.U.  
she wrote to me asking for



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The accounts and <sup>any</sup> money I had in hand belonging to the Branch. So I delivered the whole over her and have since then had nothing to do with Branch affairs.

Several times in the previous years I have said & said Label that as soon as another Branch Treasurer could be found I should be glad to retire: as owing to prolonged absences from ~~London~~ - England and the fact that I ~~do~~ now no longer lived

in London I did not feel able to do what I should have liked to in helping the Society.

No official announcement of the fact was made to me but I believe that Miss Joseph not only took over my work but that of Lady Label and I believe that now the Belgrave Branch is worked from the Head Office and has neither officials nor Committee of its own. Certainly I have had

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no notice of any Belgrave  
Branch Com<sup>tee</sup> Meetings  
since one I attended at  
50 Albemarle Street  
either ~~last~~ in Jan'y or  
February.

At this meeting the  
question of a Head Office  
was I believe first alluded  
to.

At one of the monthly  
meetings soon after, Mr  
Margison told me that  
it is his great object in  
pushing the Head Office  
and the question of Paid  
Secretary was that the work  
of her Branch was more  
than Lady Label could



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NEWSTEAD,

WIMBLEDON.

manage and they saw  
no other way of  
relieving her.

Then dropped at  
once <sup>the</sup> ~~any~~ attitude  
of doubt as to our  
wisdom in launching  
into such expense  
and took no further  
part in the arrangements  
for this new organization.  
Beyond subscribing  
to the initial expense  
of setting up the office



I was most anxious not  
 to hamper Lady Isabel  
 by action in starting  
 the office for she has  
 worked so splendidly  
 and enthusiastically  
 that one feels under  
 a great obligation to  
 her ~~for~~ and would  
 not <sup>have</sup> liked to hinder  
 any plan for relieving  
 her.

I trust it will tell  
 you at once how I  
 stand with regard

to the Belgrave  
 Branch.

I am very glad &  
 dear that you have  
 been able to so quickly  
 to find a successor  
 to Mrs Dorset.

The loss of Lady Isabel  
 will be almost irreparable  
 for she has done  
everything & given the  
 Belgrave Branch  
 life

To there is no chance of



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her remaining on the  
Ex. Com. ?

Believe me

Yours & truly

Alicia Halcom Murray

Any letter sent to  
Newstead will be  
forwarded.